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For: CHEMICAL CONVERSION COATING  
AGENT AND SURFACE-TREATED METAL

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## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the Office Action dated February 27, 2006.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.